



About Us

The Office for State and Community Energy Programs (SCEP) works with state and local organizations to significantly accelerate the deployment of clean energy technologies, catalyze local economic development and create jobs, reduce energy costs, and avoid pollution through place-based strategies involving a wide range of government, community, business, and other stakeholders.

Saving Energy and Money for American Homes, Communities, Businesses, and Industries

SCEP extends the capacity and capabilities of states, tribes, local governments, schools, and community-serving organizations to implement high-impact, self-sustaining clean energy projects that center around the needs of low-income and disadvantaged communities.

SCEP manages and oversees \$16 billion in formula grants, competitive grant awards, consumer rebate grants, and technical assistance. Through the disbursement of formula grants, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will extend the core capabilities of state energy offices and expand the weatherization provider network to assist low-income families with home energy retrofits. Competitive awards will further the innovation by states and local governments seeking to implement high-impact and self-sustaining clean energy projects. In addition, technical assistance will help to facilitate clean energy programs and practices through “best practice” tools, “lead-by-example” methods, peer-to-peer forums, and other strategic partnerships.

Key Objectives

- Prioritize Justice40 Initiative
- Deploy clean energy technologies
- Catalyze local economic development
- Create jobs and increase hiring
- Avoid pollution through place-based strategies
- Reduce energy costs.

Leadership

- Dr. Henry C. McKoy Jr., Director
- Michael Forrester, Acting Principal Deputy Director
- Annamaria Garcia, Associate Director
- Chris Castro, Chief of Staff



Our Programs

Foundational programs like the Weatherization Assistance Program and State Energy Program, which have more than 80 years combined of successfully delivering energy savings across the country, will complement newly formed programs, enabling DOE to work for the first time ever with local governments and communities for the long term.

Weatherization Assistance Program

Helps reduce energy burden in low-income households in every county, state, Washington, D.C., and the five U.S. territories. Since 1976, more than 7 million low-income residences have been weatherized through the Weatherization Assistance Program, reducing energy bills by \$250 to \$450 annually. The program supports approximately 8,500 jobs and provides weatherization services to approximately 35,000 homes every year with DOE funds.



State Energy Program

Provides formula funding and technical assistance to 50 states, 5 U.S. territories, and Washington, D.C. to enhance energy security, advance state-led energy initiatives, and increase energy affordability. The State Energy Program funds numerous state-led initiatives and programs that generate substantial energy and cost savings, moving states closer to climate and clean energy goals.

Community Energy Programs

Works with local and tribal governments, public schools, nonprofit organizations, workforce development groups, and other community-serving entities by acting as a front door for

federal support and resources. Community Energy Programs manages multiple active grant programs, including the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program, Local Government Energy Program, Energy Future Grants, workforce development and training grants, and public school and nonprofit funding programs.

Technical Assistance Partnerships

Serves at the nexus of state and local governments to catalyze lead-by-example programs by developing tools and solutions to barriers facing state and local governments, convening and creating peer exchanges to showcase public-sector leadership and effective public-private partnerships, and providing information from leading technical experts.

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